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Ida H. Grant to Bud, June 20, 1890

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Memphis June 20 1893

dear Bud,

I must write to thank
you for your letter, in
which you enclosed the
check of \$250.00 for Ma,
We were so glad to hear,
and I was just beginning
to feel quite neglected, as
it seemed everyone was
too busy for a while, to write.
I was also, delighted to
receive a letter from Nat,

in which he told me of
your moving into the
new home, and of Perry's
wife, also, having such a
charming house. The
only thing I don't like
about it all, is, that, it
seems to settle Ma down
a little more there. Though
I do not see why, she
shouldn't come over to
see me now and one of
your boys bring her as
I really think you should.

do - I want each one and everyone
of you I have been here, when it comes
time for us to leave here. - Now you must
all think about it, and arrange for
that - I am now feeling very blue and
bitterly disappointed that Sir Miles in
her last letter that they have concluded
not to come abroad this summer.
It is such a disappointment as that
Mile made up my mind to passing
all of August in her company, and then
having a nice visit from her and her
family in Sept. I can only say that I
am very, very sorry that I told her so
frankly our plans because we could
have compromised in some way - we
travelled together part of the time - I do hope
she will yet come - this says if I could
it will probably have no effect upon her and
Mr Palmer one way or the other, so I hear
Mitten again - We leave here the 1st of July

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It's our little journey of
2 months, which I expect to
enjoy immensely, and
I keep thinking of you, as
we are going over your
old route, first of all to
Munich, then Stuttgart
and until we reach Aus-
den, Leipzig, Berlin, etc.
The children are, also, in-
tensely interested, seem to
feel it a duty before them, to
see and study all they
can - and find it great
on reading the Guidebook

and pointing out every
elevation and stone on
the road. Fred can only
put a certain ~~amount~~ ^{into}
travel, and has just 60
days, of each year for it,
so I want to see all that is
possible, and not regret
missing much afterwards.

Our Secretary stays the 2
months, then takes his ^{leave} when
we return in Sept. His wife
has deserted him, for "Horn-
burg" where she seems to anti-
cipate meeting the Prince of
Wales' set. From all I can
hear, and will stay there

all the time we are away, though
there are charming resorts near to
Veirna, and the Arch-Dukes have villas
here, as do most others, whose husbands
are diplomats and must stay - Mother
does not like Veirna, at all, is disagreeable
with the "stiffness" and lack of gaiety.
It is a place where money does not do,
and they say they would have greatly pre-
ferred Paris, London or Rome. I think
she really wants Chew to resign, but he seems
not to wish it - Fred and I have so often
and often regretted that we had not our
way, and that you are not here - But I
know now better than we did, that the Minis-
ters have nothing to say to the Budget,
really. This is all "Entree-temps". I hope you
like my son's German. He was talking
yesterday and said, he had "attrapé"
Bibi de Jong, meaning, "caught". Two days ago,
he told me of some thing giving it a German
name, said he couldn't tell me the English
but that the French of it was "Lapin" so you

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See he is very foreign, but it
is really not strange as all
his playing is in French and
German and studying in the
latter language.

Mme. Mazel. (My American neighbor
Wife of Dutch Minister, and sister
of the Mayor, half sister of Herman
Celrichs, who has married Miss Fair)
is lying very, very ill, almost
at the point of death, after a
series of "Influenza", in which her
liver became involved. They
have taken a country villa but
cannot go to it, yet she is so
ill - I am so distressed &
hear of Aunt Hooky's illness, I

fear she had not - Proper care
in beginning. I do think that
you all should watch her
and Uncle Ben, make them
take tours principally handy,
as people were left to make

I wrote during my trip up
to the Lichtensteins, letters to the
all about it, which however
they are stupid, I would like her to
keep them for me.

There are many of you, only
one of me to write - so I shall
expect to hear more often -
I will not appreciate his
letter. Love to all -
Affectionately
Saml H. Smith